# EGYPTIAN MUTINEERS.

OPPOSITION TO BRITISH OFFICERS. OPERATIONS OF OSMAN DIGMA-ADMIRAL HEWETT

AT SUAKIM. CAIRO, Feb. 17 .- A few Egyptians soldiers presented to the Khedive on Saturday an address protesting against the dispatch of Egyptians to the Soudau and demanding the removal of the British military officers, who they said were aliens by race and by religion. General Sir Evelyn Wood was immediately summoned to the palace, and on his arrival confronted the mutineers, who were then and there arrested. The incident is considered to be of grave import, especially following the departure of the British troops from Cairo for Suakim. A number of Egyptian soldiers had been selected to drive a camel battery to the Soudan. The petition, which was presented by four privates, was numerously signed, and purported to be approved by the whole Egyptian army, which objected to being employed in a Christian expedition. Sir Evelyn Wood declares that The signatures to the petition are forgeries. It is the general opinion that the Egyption army ought to be disbanded, as it is useless and dangerous. The mutiny has not shaken the confidence of the English officers in the Egyptian troops.

MOVEMENTS AROUND TOKAR. Orders have been given to confine the British expedition to the relief of Tokar. It is expected that a decisive battle will be fought on February 24. Tokar is hotly pressed by the rebels, who have turned against the town a number of Krupp guns recently captured from the Egyptians. The Hussars have started for Suakim.

The scouts sent from Trinkitat toward Tokar report that Osman Digma, the rebel leader, is massing men near a defile, closing the road from the coast, at the spot where he defeated Tahir Pacha and Colonel Monerief. It is supposed that Osman Digma's plan is, if he fails to reduce Tokar before the arrival of the English troops, to give battle at the defile. Sheik Morghani and Colonel Messagdaha who were sent from Suakun to stir up the tribes in the vicinity, report that they only succeeded in securing a promise of neutrality from the chiefs.

Admiral Hewett is advancing his lines four miles outside the Snakim zone. His trenches are within range of the guns of the English fleet and the forts. GENERAL GORDON AT KHARTOUM. General Gordon has arrived at Khartoum.

General Gordon has had a proclamation posted at Khartoum recognizing El Mahdi as Sultan of Kodofan, remitting half of the taxes, and placing no restriction on the slave trade. The Arabs of Khartoum express great satisfaction.

SUAKIM, Feb. 17.—The rebels fired on the forts to-day, but soon retired. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 17.-The Porte will send

brandy at a time, etc. Speaking of this matter tonight the Senator added; "I don't know whether
the illustrious statesman drinks brandy or not; I
suppose he has a right to if he chooses.

"As to the report that he has ordered the Lasker
resolution to be returned and with a contemptuous
message; I do not credit it. It would be quite unlike the great Chancellor to do anything of the
kind." NO NEWS AT THE AMERICAN LEGATION.

Berlin, Feb. 17.-The American Legation here has no information regarding the reported return by Prince Bismarck of the resolution of condolence over the death of Herr Lasker adopted by the United States House of Representatives. The Tageblatt hopes that Americans will not hold Germans responsible for the acts of Prince

RUSSIAN RULE IN CENTRAL ASIA. London, Feb. 17,-The transfer of Baron Von Mohrenheim, the Russian Ambassador, from London to Paris has been postponed, pending a settlement of the Mery question. It is reported that Sir Edward Thornton, the British Ambassabor at St. Petersburg, has telegraphed to Earl Granville, British Minister for Foreign Affairs, the assurance that Russia is ready to consider terms for a new boundary line for Central Asia, by which Russia might hold a protectorate over Merv.

KING HUMBERT'S TRAIN FIRED AT. ROME, Feb. 17.- The Government has received a BADLY IN DEBT A MAN DISAPPEARS. information from Civita Vecchia that when a train by which King Humbert was returning from a hunting trip was between Montalto and Corneto, four men on the roadside fired at the carbineer guarding the train. The latter fired six shots at the assailants and wounded one of them. He also seized and rendered harmless a bottle of gunpowder with a lighted fuse attached, which the miscreants had thrown aboard the train. The men escaped.

THE ENGLISH CONSERVATIVES. LONDON, Feb. 17.-Lord Randolph Churchill has will take the place of Sir Stafford Northcote as leader of the Conservative party in the House of Commons. Sir Stafford's son and other members of the Union threaten to second from the organization. It is rumored that Sir Stafford is willing to take a peerage and resign the Conservative leadership.

EDITORSHIP OF THE LONDON TIMES. LONDON, Feb. 17.-Leonard H. Courtney, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, has refused the proffered editorship of The Times, and Mr. Buckle, assistant editor of that paper, has been temporarily ap-pointed to the post. Mr. Buckle is only thirty years old and is unknown outside of the times office.

HOMES OF THE POOR TO BE INSPECTED. LONDON, Feb. 17 .- A Royal Commission has been appointed to inquire into the condition of the poor in the United Kingdom. The commission includes Cardinal Manning, several delegates from workingmen's asso-ctations, and a number of Irish and Scotch members of Parliament. Sir Charles Dilke is chairman of the com-

## AMERICAN ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

LONDON, Feb. 17 .- The Observer, referring to the Greely relief expedition, says it is possible, considering the state of chronic mutiny which seems to belong to regulation life on American Arctic expeditions like those of Dr. Kane and Captain Hall, that the men of the Greely expedition have murdered their commander.

THE STAGE ABROAD. LOND ON, Feb. 17.-Sarah Bernhardt is arranging for a tour in America. M. Gayarre, a tenor, has made a triumphant debut in Paris. He took the house by storm.

FOLLOWERS OF PRINCE NAPOLEON. Paris, Feb. 17.-The supporters of Prince Napoleon ("Plon-Plon") to-day held a meeting, at which 3,000 persons were present, and adopted resolutions demanding the revision of the Constitution, the nomination

of a constituent Assembly and the restoration to the pro-ple of the right of the direct election of the Chief of State.

SECESSION THREATENED IN MANITOBA. WINNEPEG, Feb. 17 .- The delegates of the Farmers' Union returned from Ottawa last night. Their memorial to the Government, requesting redress of the grievances under which the people are suffering, received grievances under which the people are suffering, received no attention. They report that nothing will be conceded by the Government. The people here are greatly incensed at the Government's action and many advocate open rebellion. The council of the Farmers' Union has called a convention to meet on March 5, at which the whole Northwest will be represented, and decisive action will be taken. A revolutionary spirit is spreading among the people, which probably will not stop short of secession from the Confederation.

FOREIGN NOTES. SHANGHAI, Feb. 17.—Tseng-Kouo-Tchuan, uncle of the Marquis Tseng, has been appointed Viceroy of Nanking, superseding Tso-Tsung-Tang.

Berlin, Feb. 17.—The military ataché of the Russian Embassy at Berlin, has visited Prince Bismarck and as-sured him of the Czar's warmest friendship for Germany. St. Petersburg, Feb. 17.—The Governors of various Provinces in the west and south of Russia have appealed for reinforcements of troops, as the peasants are threat-

BELGRADE, Feb. 17 .- The Ministry has resigned, owing to a difference between the Conservatives and the Pro-

### RUGG ESCAPES FROM JAIL.

OVERPOWERING HIS KEEPER HE JUMPS FROM A SECOND-STORY WINDOW.

Charles H. kugg, the negro suspected of committing the recent outrages on Long Island, escaped from the Queens County Jail at Long Island City last night, at 9:45 o'clock. When Jailer Murphy was making his rounds, Rugg requested him to bring one of the powders that he had been taking by order of the physician. Murphy went to the office to get the powder, and when he returned to Rugg's cell, the prisoner, who had been lying in wait for him, seized him by the throat and threw him to the floor. Murphy struggled desperately to free himself and managed to shout for help, in response to which ex-Mayor De Bevoise appeared, and picking up a club used it vigorously upon Rugg. The latter, however, overpowered them both, and freeing himself he rushed up stairs to the Grand Jury room with the others close at his heels, and opening a window jumped into the street. He seemed unburt by the fall, and, picking himself up, he ran down Jackson-ave, in the direction of the ferry and was lost to sight. A general alarm was sent out immediately to the police of New-York and

Brooklyn.

Rugg is twenty-five years old, 5 feet 9 inches in height, weighs 165 pounds, and is a light mulatto, with a mustache. He was dressed in a dark shirt, dark tronsers and rubber boots, and was without coat, waistcoat and hat when he escaped.

About 11:30 p.m. two officers arrested a colored man in Long Island City who it was thought was the escaped prisoner; but upon taking him to the jail it was found to be a mistake, and he was set at liberty. He said that he was William David Phillips.

to-day, but soon retured.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 17.—The Porte will send 10,000 men to Jeddah, in Arabia, to be kept in readiness for service in the Soudan in case they are needed.

THE LASKER RESOLUTIONS.

NO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE STATE DEFARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The State Department has not received any information corroborative of the report that Prince Bismarck had returned the resolutions of condolence on Herr Lasker's death to the German Minister here, with instructions to return them to Congress. Secretary Frelinghuysen telegraphed to-day to the United States Minister at Berlin for information, but has not received a reply. The Secretary is inclined to doubt the truth of the report in view of the fact that neither he nor the German Minister has been informed of any such action by Prince Bismarck on the latter's reported action in regard to the Lasker resolutione. He especially repudiates the representation that he said, "Bismarck attributed to him in some newspapers concerning Prince Bismarck on the latter's reported action in regard to the Lasker resolutione. He especially repudiates the representation that he said, "Bismarck of Long Island City that Rugg will endeavor to make his way back on Long Island. He has no money and the authorities are highly brandy or not: I find the Senate committee on Foreign Relations, emphatically denies having made the discourteous remarks attributed to him in some newspapers concerning Prince Bismarck on the latter's reported action in regard to the Lasker resolutione. He especially repudiates the representation that he said, "Bismarck of Long Island City that Rugg will endeavor to make his way back on Long Island. He has no money and the authorities are hopeful of soon apprehending hum. The men at the ferries at midisgly said that no man answering to had caught was nucle treatment at the time. "Aboutten device the had been in jail, and had not shown an unity disposition. He had had several epileptic enough was under treatment at the men it was tool shivering

## MARGINS MYSTERIOUSLY ABSORBED.

INV TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.1 Youngsrown, Ohio, Feb. 17 .- A sensation was created here last night by the announcement that Sherman B. Brainard, proprietor of the Stock Exchange, had disappeared, leaving those who had put up margins with him to regret their folly. Without informing his employes Brainard left the city Thursday night, and nothing was known as to where he was until last night. when a telegram was received from Chicago, instructing the operator to close up the office. A telegram was then whom Brainard had been conducting his stock deals, asking for information concerning him, and if he had been at their office. They replied "No, we have closed out all deals with him, and he owes us money."

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Numerous persons who had been dealing with Brainard were at the office to-night, but could learn nothing further regarding him. Inquity where he did his banking business shows that he had on deposit only \$679. For several days he has made no bank deposits; and as he has been receiving as margins from \$600 to \$1.000 per day, his creditors assert that he is several thousand dollars ahead. On Thursday he received from customers \$1,200, and it is not known that he paid out a dollar. All his books and papers have disappeared, nothing being left in his office that would indicate his financial condition. Several people here have been caught heavily by him. It is asserted by his friends that he will return and settle matters; and it is hoped that he may, on account of his family, at least, who are left here with friends.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] CLEVELAND, Feb. 17 .- A sensation in business circles is reported from Defiance. John Diehl mysteriously disappeared Thursday, leaving his hardware store in the hands of his employes, since which time nothing has been seen or heard of him. His affairs were found to be in bad shape, and the stock has been attached

## CRUSHED BY FALLING WALLS.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17.—The walls of the flour warehouse of E. Luthbury & Co., on Vine-st. above been elected president of the National Conservative | Frond, which was burned last evening, fell about 6 Union. This is accepted as an indication that he o'clock this morning, and a dwelling-house adjoining was crushed. Eight persons were in the house at the time, all of them being in bed. Edward Curran, who was in bed with his wife and child was instantly killed. Mrs. with his wife and child was instantly killed. Airs. Curren received a severe shock, and it is leared that she will not recover. The child was uninjured. The other occupants of the building escaped with slight injuries, notwithstanding the fact that several were thrown into the street when the front wail of the house fell cut. It took over an hour to release some of them from the debris under which they were buried. Mrs Curran has been made acquainted with the fact of her husband's death.

## MR. REDMOND TALKS IN BOSTON.

Boston, Feb. 17 .- John E. Redmond, M. P., addressed an immense audienceu pon the wrongs of Ireland, at the Boston Theatre, to-night. His brother, Wil-John Boyle O'Reilly presided, and large delegations were present from all parts of the State, also from New-York and Brocklyn. Resolutions were adopted approving the present policy of the Irish Nationalists under the leader-ship of Mr. Parnell, and the contribution of funds in aid of the National party, and expressing sorrow at the death of Wendell Phillips.

### KITTIE GILMORE PRONOUNCED DEAD. WARREN, Ohio, Feb. 17 .- The body of Miss

Kittle Gilmore was placed in a vault at the cemetery last evening. Physicians have from the first pronounced life extinct, but owing to her singularly lifelike appearance and flushed face the relatives could not believe that she was dead.

## TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

HANLAN OFF FOR AUSTRALIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—Hanlan, the corrsman, will in the City of Sydney at midnight for Australia.

TWO BROTHERS DROWNED.

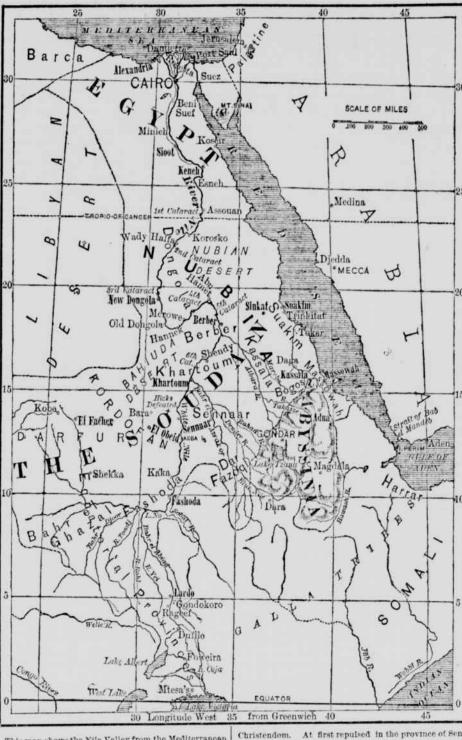
WOBURN, Mass, Feb. 17.—Morris Reagan, age fourteen, and Daniel Reagan, age clafteen, brothers, were drowned last night while crossing Mystic Pond on the ice. Their bodies were recovered to-day.

AN UNKNOWN MAN FOUND DEAD.

HUNGON N. Y. Etc. 17.—The bodies of an unknown man. AN UNKNOWN MAN FOUND DEAD.

HUDSON, N. Y., Feb. 17.—The body of an unknown man
was found in a horribly mutilated condition on the track
of the Hudson River Railroad here this morning. He was
either a tramp or a miner, but nothing was found upon
him whereby he could be identified.

SCENE OF MILITARY OPERATIONS IN THE NILE VALLEY.



This map shows the Nile Valley from the Mediterranean o Victoria Lake on the line of the Equator. Assouan, near the Tropic of Cancer, marks the southern boundary of Lower Egypt. The Soudan is the entire Nile Valley south of that line, including the Nubian and Bahinda deserts and the river districts of Dongola, Berber, Khartoum, Kassala, Sennaar, Fashoda, the Bahrel-Ghazal and the Equatorial provinces; and in addition the Red Sea littoral as far as Abyssinia, and also the western provinces of Kordofan and Darfur. The distance traversed by the Nile from Victoria Lake to the Mediterranean is about 3,300 miles, and embraces thirtytwo degrees of latitude. Fifteen of these degrees include the rainy zone north of the Equator, and the remainder the desert through which the fertilizing river runs. The Soudan was annexed to Lower Egypt by Mebemet All and Ismail. Khartoum, near the fifteenth parallel, has been the centre of government. Ismail employed Sir Samuel Baker and General Gordon in the Soudan. The latter spent three years in the Equatorial provinces, and subsequently suppressed the slave traffic in Darfur and Kordofan, being Governor-General of the Soudan. He

resigned his office soon after Tewfik became Khedive. The False Prophet, Mahomet Achmet, was born in the from a cave in Abba Island in the White Nile and proclaimed himself to be a fineal descendant of the Prophet and as the Mahdl to be destined to unite Islam against to Khartoum, 400 miles.

naar, he subsequently defeated Youssef, the Govern Fashoda, and captured Bara and Obeld. General Hicks's army sent out during 1883 to retrieve this disaster was massacred between Khartoum and Obeid. The Mahdi's direct authority is confined to the province of Kordofan, but his successes have incited a political revolt against the Egyptian Government from the White Nile to the Sea. If he were to capture Khartoum and Suakim, and crossing the sea to Mecca have himself proclaimed Calipb, all Arabia would take fire.

The British Government ordered in January the evacuation of the Soudan, and sent General Gordon to Khartoum to superintend the operation. He ascended the Nile to Assouan and Korosco, crossed the desert to Abu Hamet (230 miles), reached Berber in safety, and is now at Shendy, approaching Khartoum, where there is a garrison of 1,200 men. The garrisons higher up the river have been withdrawn. Khartoum lies midway between Lake Nyanza and the Mediterranean, and in an air line is 1,200 miles from Alexandria. On the Red Sea littoral Suakim is now being fortified by British marines and is to be garrisoned by an army of 6,000 men from Calro and Aden. General Baker's army was defeated near province of Dongola and was educated at Khartoum and Berber. After a long period of retirement he emerged garrison at that place is still holding out, and Kassala is

## A BANKRUPT IN COMFORT.

HERBERT C. AVER OF CHICAGO SAID TO BE WIN-TERING AT MARSEILLES.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. Youngstown, Feb. 17 .- So little has been heard recently of Herbert C. Ayer, president of Brown, Bonnell & Co., whose extravagance threw that concern into financial straits, that he has almost been forgotten by the world at large outside his personal friends. It is stated, however, on excellent authority, that he is living pleasantly and quietly with his family at Marseiller France, upon the \$100,000 which his old friends in Chicago made for him by speculation, having, as a start, the pool of \$100,000 which they made up among themselves subscription. Ayer was very popular among the by subscription. Ayer was very popular among the boys on 'Change and after his downfall they repaid his many previous acts of kindness substantially. There has been a rumor current that the \$100,000 he took across the seas with him was paid him by the Cleveland creditors for his interest in the Brown, Boonell & Co. wreek; but this story is denied point blank by those who are in a situation to know. But no matter where he got the money, the fact remains that Mr. Ayer is at present happily situated to enjoy life, and will leave the concern he involved in ruin for the creditors and the lawyers.

## TO TEST AN ELECTRIC MOTOR.

THE BRUSH INVENTION TO BE TRIPD ON A CLEVE-LAND STREET CAR. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 17 .- A railway track has been built around the Brush Electric Light Works in this city. On this track, the coming week, Charles T. Brush, electrician, and his asssistant, a new electric motor applied

# WHAT A LOVER'S PIQUE LED TO.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] of the Norwegian bark Maria Catharine, which arrived at Port Royal yesterday from Antwerp, gives the following particulars of a tragedy that occurred on his vessel during her voyage : Julius Brainer, a native of Zurich, Switzerland, age about twenty-three, shipped for the voyage. He appeared to know nothing as a failer, but was heard to say that he had been in the French army and was a civil engineer, and that, having quarrelled with a was a civil engineer, and that, having quarrened with a girl whom he loved, in a moment of pique he had "gone to be a sailor." On January 2, one day after having left port, Brainer was sent into the hold to cut some wood, which was lying on the ballast. A short while after the report of a pistol was heard from the hold, and in a few minutes it was found that Brainer had committed suicide by shooting himself in the mouth with a pistol. He was hurtel at sea.

## BECOMING A SPIRITUALIST LECTURER.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Bosron, Feb. 17.-The Rev. S. L. Beal, until recently puster of the Universalist Church at Brockton, came out as a Spiritualist lecturer to night. He was born in Indiana and graduated at Hillsdate College in 1868.

## A DEATH SENTENCE COOLLY RECEIVED. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Toledo, Feb. 17.-William Johnson, convicted of the murder of George W. Williams and his wife, was sentenced at Napoleon on Saturday to be hanged on May 23 next. The prisoner took his sentence without

A SERIOUS EXPLOSION OF OIL. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRUBUNE.

crowd of mischievous lads foolishly stuck a fire brand into one of the oil tanks that remained from the fire on the Bee Line Railway to-day, whereupon the tank, con taining about forty barrels of oil, exploded and seriously injured six boys. Zach Whetzel, age fifteen, cannot re-

## THE GREAT FLOODS.

CINCINNATI'S IMPROVED CONDITION.

BODIES RECOVERED - THE GRAND ARMY FURNISH-ING STOVES AND PUMPS.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 17 .- The river is receding about an inch and a half an hour. It stood sixty-five feet at 11 p. m. Three roustabouts, at the risk of their lives, undertook to recover bodies from the building at Pearl and Ludlow sts., which fell Friday morning. They found the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burke and their two children, two and five years of age, in bed, evidently drowned. The father and mother each had a child in their arms. The searchers also found the bodies of Mary E. Colte, James Ogden and J. W. Kyle. The reported finding of Burke's body on Friday was a mistake.

The Relief Committee of the Chamber of Commerce to-day made an appropriation for the purchase of a large quantity of rope to be sent immediately up the river on the steamer, W. B. Cole, to be used in towing and anchoring buildings to their foundations.

The Grand Army of the Republic is furnishing, at small expense, hand and steam pumps for emptying cellars, and is also furnishing stoves and fuel where needed to dry out the houses.

The large Shields engine, which stopped pumping the water supply last Monday, started again tonight. Anxiety about the water famine is removed. NILSSON AND SCALCHI PASS THE BASKET.

A concert for the benefit of the relief fund was given in Music Hall this afternoon by Abbey's Opera Company. It produced the gross sum COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 17.-Captain Finser, of \$7,640. Nilsson sang for an encore "Give me a penny." Then, taking her basket, she went through the aisles, assisted by Sc alchi, Sembrich, through the aisles, assisted by Sc alchi, Sembrich, Fursch-Madi, Lablache and Valeria, each attended by a gentleman, and took up a collection amounting to hearly \$1,400. The entire strength of Abbey's Company appeared without charge. Mine, Sembrich while in midst her selection, variations "pour la voix" was interrupted by applause. Starting again, she had scarcely reached the point when a perfect furore arose, men shotting, and ladies waving their handkerchiefs. For the third time she started, and was permuted to finish. Then the scene was repeated for fully five minutes. She declined to sing, but played on the piano a serenade by Moskowski. The audience numbered four thousand.

# INCREASING DISTRESS DOWN THE OHIO.

THE RIVER STILL RISING-FOOD GIVING OUT-AD-DITIONAL SICKNESS.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 17,-At Shawneetown the river rose nearly five inches during the night, and to-day it has been rising half an inch an hour. Heavy rain fell all night and during the early hours of the morning, and the indications are that there will be still more rain. The latest news from the Wabash is that the river is still rising, and the Tennessee River is pouring a great flood into the Ohio. Shawnectown therefore counts apon having more water than it had last year. Several more of the smaller and more exposed buildings were washed from their Bellefontaine, Ohio, Feb. 17 .- One of a chouses

or securely anchored and will not float off, but the others were carried by the swift current as far as the southern embankment and most of them have gone to pieces.

The suffering among the refugees in the hills is increasing. Their provisions are giving out and fuel has been scarce from the start, and many additional cases of sickness are reported. But, bad as the situation now is, it will inevitably become worse Mayor Millspaugh has the names of those of Mayor Millspaugh has the names of those of the sufferers most in need, and is taking prompt measures for their relief. He anticipates several weeks of hard work before the worst is passed, and will need a great deal more money than he now has. The citizens of Shawneetown, much as they have lost the last three years, are responding nobly to the appeals for aid from the distressed. The depth of water throughout the town ranges from fitteen to forty feet. Skiffs pass over goodsized houses, well weighted down, the roofs of which can scarcely be reached with the longest oars.

The situation in Uniontown is hourly growing more serious. The entire town is several feet under water, and the river is still rising steadily. Shawneetown and Uniontown, the country on both sides of the river as far as the eye can reach is one vast sheet of water. TOWNS ENTIRELY UNDER WATER AND ABANDONED.

The situation at Paducah is worse than has been generally supposed. Last night one-third of that place under water, and it is estimated that a rise 2 feet more would cover the entire town. The last train on the Ohio and Chesapeake Road arrived last night, the water, which covers the track to a depth of 3 feet, putting out the fire in the engine before the depot was reached. At 8 o'clock the gas-works were flooded, and the people are now dependent upon lamps and candles for light.

w-Liberty, twelve miles above here, is en-y abandoned, and nothing but the roofs of the tirely abandoned, and nothing but the roofs of the houses can be seen.

Four-fifths of Smithland, situated at the mouth of the Cumberland, is under water.

Rosedair, Birdsview, Raleigh, Elizabethtown,
Fair Play, and Freefight are all submerged. That
portion of Casevville fronting on the river is under
water to a depth of ten or twelve feet.

### DISTRIBUTING FOOD AND CLOTHING.

FIVE STEAMERS AT WORK IN ONE SHORT STRETCH OF THE OHIO RIVER. POMEROY, Feb. 17.-The United States relief boat Stockdale will probably remain in Pomeroy Bend and distribute her entire load. Circumstances have had to dictate the boat's course The original intention was to go to Ironton and work back, but the desti-tution in this bend is so great, and the appeals so pressing, that Colonel Rose, in charge of the expedition, thinks he will remain here. The bend contains nineteen towns, embracing 49,000 unhabitants. But two mines, one at Antiquity and one at Minersville, are in working order. All of the towns were flooded, and the losses are estimated at over \$2,000,000. Many lost their all, and as there will be no work for some time much suffering may occur. Gallipolis, 266 miles from Pittsburg, has suffered little; and, having railroad communication, it has been made headquarters of relief supplies. Five relief steamboats patrol the bend, giving out provisions, Bed clothing is needed. The Stockdale 15,000 povnds of meat, 800 sacks of flour, 100 barrels of flour, 600 pairs blankets and two tons of other supplies at Middleport. About five tons of supplies were put off at Clifton, W. Va., and at Pomeroy more supplies were given out. The Laura Bell, relief boat, from Gallip-olis, took a cargo of supplies from the Stockdale, and will run into smaller streams with them, where the Stockdale cannot go.

CATTLE RESCUED FROM PARLORS. A boat just from below states that much of Ironson, Ohio, Catlettsburg and Greenupsburg, Ky., are still under water. Soup-houses have been established at Ironton. This place was first reached supplies Saturday morning. People with gradually returing to their and are occupying the second floors. It will be difficult for many merchants in town to resume business, their stocks having been destroyed. Last week thousands of valuable horses, cattle and sheep were taken from parlors and during rooms of the residences in the farming country below the bend, by steamers with fiat boats. It is reported that health is excellent in all directions. The immediate necessities of suf-ferers are supplied; but the unemoloyed class will need help for fully two or three months. Pomeroy is still in water above its first floors. The river is falling slowly. falling slowly.

## SOUTHERN PLANTATIONS INUNDATED.

THE ARKANSAS, RED, AND ALABAMA RIVERS SPREAD BEYOND THEIR BANKS. PINE BLUFF, Ark., Feb. 17.-The steamer R. L.

Cobb reports that nearly all the plantations below here on the Arkansas River are more or less submouth of the river. The situation of the planters is critical. All the streams the planters is critical. All the streams are swollen, and communication with Pine Bluff was cut off all yesterday. At Fulton last rught the Red River was still rising, and the flood covered the banks on both sides for many miles. The homes of hundreds of persons are flooded. The occupants are helpless, and cannot be rescued. The steamer Belle Cooper started last night on a second relief expedition. Live stock are drowning in large numbers. Many houses are being washed into the river, and unless relief is soon afforded the loss of life will be heavy. Rain fell all yesterday. The Arkansas River had fallen six feet at Fort Smith at midnight, and was receding rapidly.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 17.—The Alabama

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 17.—The Alabama River is out of its banks and is rising. The rains here are very heavy. There has been no interrup-tion to railroad communication. CAIRO NOT MUCH ALARMED.

### CAIRO, Feb. 17 .- The river at this place marked fifty-six feet six inches, lacking one foot of the highest point reached last year. It is raining to-night and the water is rising slowly, but even should the flood exceed that of last year the city is prepared to

SUBSCRIPTIONS IN NEW-YORK, The following subscriptions have been made Produce Exchange, through its committee, for the flood sufferers:

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Assistant Bishop Henry C. Potter recently received a telegram from the Bishop of Southern Onlo asking for aid for the submerged towns in his diocese. Bishop Potter, therefore, has issued a circular to the clerky of the State of New-York asking their co-operation in ratising money for the relief of the afflicted towns. He states that he has authorized the Bishop of Onlo to draw on him to the amount of \$5,000, and he invokes the aid of the clerky in redeeming this pledge. Contributions may be forwarded to the Assistant Bishop or to T. B. Coddington, of No. 27 Chilest.

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## A GALE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, Feb. 17.—The heaviest gale and rainstorm of the season occurred here last night. Three hundred yards of track on the Southern Pacito foundations last night. Many of these houses have been tied to trees casualties are reported.

REPUBLICAN PREPARATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

THE COMING CAMPAIGN.

DELEGATES TO CHICAGO TO BE CHOSEN BY THE PEOPLE AT DISTRICT CONVENTIONS-THE AD-MINISTRATION'S STRENGTH-THE CAMPAIGN FUND.

IFROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE, 1 ALBANY, Feb. 17 .- If the Republican State Convention is held on April 23, the thirty-four Congressional district conventions must meet between April 8 and that date for the election of sixty-eight of the seventy-two delegates to the National Republican Convention; for according to the rules laid down by the National Republican Committee, the district conventions must be held within the fifteen days next prior to the meeting of a State convention. The announcement by Mr. Warren, the chairman of the Republican State Committee, that the State Convention will probably be called to meet on April 23, will much facilitate the holding of the Congressional district conventions. Now that the Republican leaders in the several Congressional districts have the date, they can far more readily make the necessary arrangements for assembling the delegates to the district conventions. PREPARING FOR DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

The first steps toward the holding of these con-

ventions are being taken rapidly. Last Tuesday the Kings County Republican General Committee passed resolutions in favor of the election of the eight delegates of that county by the Republicans residing in its four Congressional districts, Tomorrow the chairmen of the Republican county committees of the counties of Tompkins, Chemung, Schuyler and Seneca, which compose the XXVIIIth Congressional district, will meet at Ithaca, for the purpose of drawing up a plan for the election of delegates to a district convention in that district. James E. Nickerson, the chairman of the Republican County Committee of Chenango County, has opened a correspondence with the chairman of the Republican County Committee in Madison, Broome and Tioga counties, composing with Chenango County the XXVIth Congressional district, on the subject of the convention to be held there. It is stated that Alonzo Ferguson, chairman of the Republican County Committee in Schoharie County, has written a letter on the same subject to the chairmen of the of the Republican county committees in the other counties that make up the XXIVth Congressional district, Herkimer and Otsego, W. M. Van Mater, the State Committeeman of the XXVIIth Congressional district-Oswego, Cayuga and Wayne- who was here last week in consultation with leading Republican politicians, has, it is said returned home to set in motion immediately preparations for holding a district convention in that district. Ex-Senator Rockwell, of Warren County, was here on Friday consulting with the Republican members of the Legislature from the counties of Franklin, Clinton, Essex, and Warren, which compose the XXIst Congressional district, concerning the assembling of a convention in that district. In the XXXIVth Congressional district, consisting of the counties of Chautauqua, Cattaraugus and Allegany, representatives of the three counties will shortly meet to decide upon their relative representation in the district convention.

DELEGATES FROM DISTRICTS AND AT LARGE. It seems to be taken for granted here that district conventions will be held in the eight Congressional districts of New-York City; in the Albany Congressional district; in the Monroe Congressional distriet; in the two Buffalo districts; and in the Onondaga-Cortland district. Indeed it is doubted if the Republicans of any Congressional district in the State will neglect to elect delegates and leave that duty to their delegates to the State Convention. If none neglect to elect delegates, the State Convention will simply have the duty of choosing four delegates at large. It is said that an effort will be made to have men of State prominence chosen as these delegates. Perhaps two of them will be the United States Senators, Warner Miller and Elbridge G. Lapham. It is thought likely, however, that Mr. Miller will be a district delegate from the XXIVth Congressional district-Herkimer, Otsego and Scho-

The State Convention will also nominate two men for Judges of the Court of Appeals. There is an agitation in favor of renominating both the Judges whose terms expire: Judge Andrews and Judge Rapallo. One is a Republican and one is a Democrat; but both have been on the bench fourteen years, and the argument is made that partisan considerations should not be regarded in their case. If the Republican State Convention should nominate merged. Only four landings could be made from the Judge Rapallo, a Democrat, it is argued that the Democratic State Convention would nominate Judge Andrews, a Republican.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR'S SUPPORT. Politicians here think it too early to speculate about the proportion of delegates President Arthur, or other Republican candidates for the Presidency, will have in the New-York delegation to the National Convention. The estimates of the President's support vary all the way from thirty to forty-five delegates; and even this support is regarded as not of an entirely trustworth; nature. Will the President get the support of all the delegates from New-York and Brooklyn? It is considered doubtful if he will-especially all from Brooklyn. Yet the leaders of the Arthur movement seem to rely upon promises made to them that the President shall have all the delegates from these cities-twenty-four in number. And will these delegates support Chester A. Arthur as loyally and tenaciously as they did Grant in 1880 ? This is the second of the questions frequently asked by Republican politicians here. It is recognized that many of the same men that supported Grant will support Arthur, but it is doubted if they will cling as long to the latter as they did to the former. While the Speakership contest was in progress here in January, many Assemblymen who had not made their choice among the candidates used Mr. Roosevelt's room as a "camp of observation." It is suspected that considerable of President Arthur's support will be of this unstable character. There will be delegates who are ostensibly for him, and who will actually vote for him if they think he is likely to be nominated, but who all the time will be endeavoring to discover if some other man has not more strength, with the Intention of transferring their votes to him at the first opportunity. The fifty-one New-York delegates who supported Grant in 1880 New-York delegates who supported Grant in 1880 were a morose body of men when they saw that they had been defeated; but their moroseness arose chiefly from the fact that they made a mistake as politicians—they had not supported the successful candidate, and they had no claims upon his gratitude. Some of the men who are supporting President Arthur say that they do not intend to make the mistake this year of supporting an unsuccessful candidate till the last ballot.

## POSSIBLE EFFECT OF LATE ELECTIONS.

The President's supporters have one advantage which the supporters of Grant did not have in 1880, namely, that the delegates will be chosen at more favorable time for them. The Grant delegates were elected in February; at a time when towa meetings were being held all over the State. The caucuses for the election of town and county delegates were held in hundreds of instances on the same day as the town meetings. This secured a large attendance of Republicans at the caucuses, and led in many instances to the defeat of Grant candidates. As a consequence, nineteen of the fifty-one Republican delegates were opposed to the fifty-one Republican delegates were opposed to the nomination of Grant. But in April next the roads will be bad, many Republican farmers will be unable to attend the caucuses, there will be no town meetings to draw men to the villages; and the caucuses will be largely conducted by the office-noiding class, postmasters and the like, who favor President Arthur's nomination. Still, the novelty of electing delegates directly to a National Convention may in each Congressional district draw out to the caucuses a larger proportion of Republicans than the politicians now anticipate.